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Sir:

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Additionally, Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending U.S. patent applications, which the Examiner might find relates to similar subject matter:

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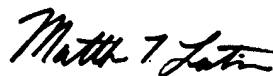
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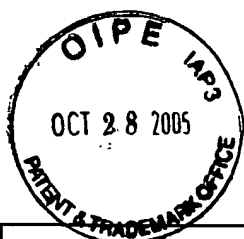


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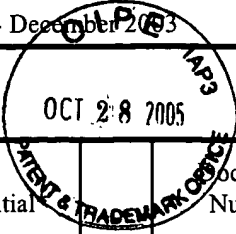


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